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TEN CENTS A WEEK

DOUBLE HOMICIDE AT LAKE BUTLER FRIDAY

J. H. Parker Fatally Shot By Ritch, Who Was in Turn Killed By Former.

J. H. Parker, traveling representative for the Gainesville Hardware Company, on Friday shot and killed Arthur Ritch at Lake Butler after Ritch had shot him first, the ball taking effect in his lungs.

From what could be learned, it seems that Parker, who had finished his labors in working the town, had visited a cool drink stand near the depot, when he met Ritch. The two became involved in an argument which soon became spirited, and it was not long before forcible language was used, but friends of the parties interfered and it was thought the matter was over with.

Later it seems that Ritch became dissatisfied and intercepted Parker just as he was nearing the Coast Line depot, and without warning pulled his gun and fired, the ball taking effect in Parker's lungs and liver.

As soon as the wounded man could do so, it was stated that he pulled his gun and began firing, the first ball taking effect in the breast of Ritch, which was followed by three other rapid shots, all of which entered his body.

Parker was picked up and placed on a stretcher and a physician summoned, who, after looking at the wound, placed the man on Coast Line train No. 46 and carried him to Jacksonville, but expressed the opinion that he would hardly live to take the trip.

Both parties have the reputation of being among the quick tempered ones, always eager to resent what they termed an insult. Ritch is the son of a prominent citizen of Starke and

for a long time was engaged in the mercantile business at Lake Butler, but the past few years has worked engaged principally in buying and selling horses, often getting them in by droves from the West.

Parker, who is a new citizen of Gainesville, was formerly of Bronson, but for the past few years has worked in various portions of the State, and was for many years in the employ of the railroad company, acting as agent at various places. He resigned this position to remove his family to Gainesville, and later accepted a position with the Gainesville Hardware Company and was doing a nice business for them on the road.

Arthur Ritch lived only a few minutes after being shot. He was a favorite among a number at Lake Butler and leaves a wife and two children to mourn his demise.

Parker Dies En Route.

Information was received in this city Friday night that Mr. Parker died while en route to Jacksonville.

Parker is a young man and leaves a wife and four children to mourn his death, the family now being located on Church street, where they recently moved from East Gainesville. The deceased also has a mother and sister living in this city, and a brother who is at present in South Florida. The remains were taken on to Jacksonville, where they will be prepared and reshipped to this city, but no arrangements had been made as to the funeral, which will probably be held at Bronson, where the deceased's father, Capt. Staff Parker, for many years a contractor on the Seaboard, is buried.

COAST LINE DEPOT WILL BE IMPROVED

WORK OF REMODELLING IS TO
COMMENCE NEXT WEEK.

Modern Conveniences to Be Placed in
Building and Rooms Will
Be Enlarged.

Work on the changes to be made in the A. C. L. passenger depot are to be commenced next week, and it will require some time to make the alterations and rebuild the office according to the new plans.

The new passenger station will be fitted with all of the latest improvements. The white and colored sides are to be divided, having separate doors for entrance and exit, with toilet rooms sufficient to accommodate the travel.

This building will be enlarged, for considerable space is to be taken from the freight department, and the ticket office will be placed farther in front from where it now stands. Doors will be placed in the front of the building on either side where the windows are now located, and doors will also be placed in the sides. The present large double doorway will be closed and the ticket office placed in the front part, opposite the old opening.

With a number of other changes the Coast Line people propose to make they will have a modern and up-to-date place and one that will be highly appreciated by the traveling public who have had to contend with the present poor facilities for the past several years.

and made a strong plea for the continued upbuilding of the navy.

Referring to the remark attributed to Mr. Landis, Admiral Dewey said, of course, what the former meant was that the navy would be comparatively useless in time of war without necessary auxiliaries drawn from the merchant marine. The Admiral expressed the belief that ship subsidy legislation could be secured were it not for the use of the word "subsidy," which he said many people did not like, because they thought that it meant to give something for nothing.

"But the American navy is not quite so helpless as one might imagine from Mr. Landis' remarks," said the Admiral. "We have 15 colliers and several transports in the service. Of course, these would not be enough in time of war, and I hope that we will continue to add to that number; if we were to have a war we could purchase as many ships as we might need—it would of course be a great deal better if we had them already." The Admiral declared that the United States needed a merchant marine, not only for the value it might possess as furnishing auxiliaries to the navy, but to carry the American flag in the marts of the world.

"But," said Admiral Dewey, "there will be no war. And so long as we go ahead steadily and moderately in adding to our navy, replacing the older ships with the most modern type, thus keeping our navy abreast of the world, no one will ever be able to say, like Mr. Landis, that other nations do not regard the American navy seriously."

William Lucas, day yardmaster at the west yard of the Pennsylvania railroad in Wilmington, Del., bears a striking resemblance to President Taft, both in stature and features. He has just returned from Denver, where a photograph was sold for that of the President, who was there at the same time.

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MONUMENT UNVEILED AT KINGS MOUNTAIN

Soldiers of the Regular Army and of the Two Carolinas and Tennessee Participated.

KINGS MOUNTAIN, N. C., Oct. 8.—With eloquent oratory and imposing military display, the monument erected to commemorate the battle of Kings Mountain was dedicated yesterday on the battlefield near this place. The Governors of North Carolina and South Carolina and Tennessee, members of Congress and many others prominent in official life, as well as a large concourse of citizens, were present. Soldiers of the regular army and of the National Guard of three States were present as a tribute to the Colonial troops who defeated the British forces in the wilderness of Kings Mountain on October 7, 1780, and thereby turned the tide of the Revolution in favor of the American colonies.

The Kings Mountain Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution had charge of the day's ceremonies. The principal oration was delivered by Henry N. Snyder, president of Wofford College. Other speakers included Governor Ansel of South Carolina, Gov. Kitchin of North Carolina, Congressman D. E. Finley of South Carolina and Congressman E. Y. Webb of North Carolina, to whose combined efforts the memorial owes its being. Governors Brown of Georgia and Patterson of Tennessee sent their regrets.

A feature of the exercises was the reading of an original poem, "Kings Mountain," composed by Mrs. Clara Dargan MacLean, a lineal descendant of one of the leaders in the battle. Music for the lyric was specially composed, and the vast audience joined in singing it, led by the band. Following the oration and the singing of the national anthem Congressmen Webb and Finley responded to the toast The United States of America, with patriotic speeches.

The monument, which was erected by the Federal Government, was ad-

mired by every one who saw it. The memorial occupies a conspicuous site on the highest point of the battlefield. The granite shaft, which was designed by Messrs. McKim, Mead & White of New York, stands 115 feet, and is eleven feet square at the base. On the sides are four bronze tablets. The feet on the face of the monument is inscribed as follows:

"To commemorate the victory of Kings Mountain, October 7, 1780. Erected by the Government of the United States, to the establishment of which the heroism and patriotism of those who participated on this battle so largely contributed."

Other tablets are inscribed with the complete roster of the officers on both sides who fell in the battle. The monument, which cost \$30,000, is located on the spot where the fighting was heaviest. Nearby is the granite tablet marking the spot where General Ferguson, the British commander, fell, and there is another marking his grave. In this battle, which was regarded as the turning point of the Revolution, the Americans under Sevier and Shott, lost twenty-eight killed and sixty-two wounded, and the British forces, under Ferguson, 119 killed and 123 wounded. This morning, beginning at 9 o'clock, the combined forces of the National Guard of North and South Carolina will fight over again the famous battle, demonstrating to the spectators the movements of the opposing armies, taking the same positions and fighting over the same grounds as did Ferguson's red coats and Sevier's patriots in 1780. The provisional North Carolina troops will be commanded by Col. T. J. Gardner, and the South Carolina troops by Col. W. W. Lewis. The Governors and other distinguished guests remained over for today's battle, and are being entertained at an informal banquet at the little tavern here.

Bank Cashier Is Killed By Augusta Physician

AUGUSTA, Ga., Oct. 8.—H. W. Shaw, a city physician and a local politician, at 2:30 p. m. shot Thomas S. Gray, cashier of the Union Savings Bank. Four shots were fired, two taking effect, one in the left hand and one in the fleshy part of the left leg. C. Henry Cohen, city attorney, and also attorney of the bank named, seized Shaw, sending two of the shots wild and saving Gray from further wounds. Gray last night was at a local hospital and was doing well. There is no likelihood of any serious results from the wounds themselves. Gray is one of the most prominent of the younger men of Augusta. He is a brother of State Railroad Commissioner Gray.

Shaw surreptitiously obtained from

the bank information that a customer there had a credit to his account. Using this information, Shaw garnished the account. Gray, over the telephone, denounced Shaw for the manner in which he ascertained the information on which he proceeded in the garnishment matter. Shaw proceeded to the bank. He met Gray on the sidewalk. Gray moved toward Shaw, Shaw drawing his pistol and firing on the banker. The affair has caused an intense sensation here. Shaw was at first liberated on bond, but later the sheriff held him without bail.

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Admiral Dewey Says That U. S. Navy Is Not a Bluff

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8.—Defending with characteristic vigor the American navy, Admiral George Dewey yesterday asserted that not only is our navy not a "bluff," but that he is confident it would give a good account of itself should war ever come.

The Admiral's remarks were called forth by a statement attributed to former Representative Landis of Indiana, who in a recent speech at Cin-

cinnati, Ohio, in advocating ship subsidy, is reported to have said that "those Americans who are informed consider our navy a bluff." The expression was characterized by Admiral Dewey as an "unfortunate" one.

Declaring that he saw no war clouds gathering on the horizon, Admiral Dewey discussed several phases of the navy. He expressed himself as heartily in favor of ship subsidy legislation.

Standard Oil and Armours To Exploit South America

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8.—Bureau of American Republics officials are deeply interested in the reports emanating from New York that a gigantic alliance has been formed between the Standard Oil Co. and the beef trust for purposes of exploration and development in South America. According to these reports the selection of Samuel McRoberts, representing the Armours, to be vice-president of the National City Bank, points to such an alliance. The Argentine and other South American beef, livestock and

grain trade is to be pushed by the beef trust, and with the backing of Standard Oil. With American bank will be established with branches. For some time it has been represented here that American capital would be found going to South America in increasing volume, and this alliance points to the truth of such representations. At present American investments in South America are light, not exceeding \$175,000,000 or \$200,000,000, against enormous investments by English, French and others.

Judge Locke's Important New Ruling in Bankruptcy

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Oct. 8.—Judge Locke has made an important change in legal phases of bankruptcy through a recent order which was received and filed yesterday morning. His ruling is to the effect that in cases where application is made for adjudication of bankruptcy of an unmarried man, and between the time of filing the application and the adjudication the defendant marries, he will be entitled to the same exemp-

tions as if he was married previous to the application.

This construction of the law will be a new feature in bankruptcy proceedings, but will give to the defendant a greater latitude when such cases are entered. This is the second ruling on exemption in bankruptcy which has been made by Judge Locke during the past few weeks, and shows that he is giving great attention to cases of this kind.